

**Frank D. Lanterman Regional Center
Service Provider Advisory Committee
Hosted by Adventist Health
October 2, 2019
Minutes**

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM and introductions were made.

SPAC MEMBERS PRESENT

Kimberly West-Isaac
Greg Sanchez
Traci Jones-Martinez
Keri Castaneda
Dee Prescott
Jim Storck
Nicole Hajjar
Yvonne Nakamoto

EXCUSED

Kyra Griffith

GUESTS

Kelly White – Villa Esperanza
Christian Depaz – ACT
Chaghig Koulajian – ACT
Nanette Cruz - ECF
Jessica Baker – ECF
Lisa Peterson – Shield Healthcare

Kelly Privitt - AbilityFirst
Janet Upjohn – Cheerful Helpers
Miguel Leon – Family Way AFHA
Keishna Tabor - Butterfli
Nancy Niebrugge – The Campbell Center
Shanna Hart - AbilityFirst

STAFF

Karen Ingram
Sonia Garibay
Shannon Rains

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of September 4, 2019 were accepted as submitted.

Public Comments

The SC Training and Adult Services Vendor Fair was an excellent event and was well attended.

REPORTS

Board Meeting

Ms. Isaac stated that this was a short meeting because it was combined with a Community Meeting. She reported that the annual Conflict of Interest statement was discussed. Information was collected, processed and sent to DDS. The Community Input meeting followed.

Breakfast Committee

Ms. Jones-Martinez shared that all is ready for the breakfast next month. To date, 74 RSVPs have been received. Members were asked to donate gift baskets or gift cards for the raffle. SPAC members offered to assist Autumn Cottage with the preparation of the center pieces. All members were encouraged to send their RSVPs early. SPAC members should be at the venue at 8:30 to assist with setting up.

Training/Vendor Fair Committee

Mr. Sanchez reported that the Service Coordinator training and Adult Services Vendor Fair was very well received by the SCs. Participant providers received many positive comments. Committee will explore the possibility of doing a similar event in the future.

Self-Determination

Ms. Ingram shared that some of the 74 families originally selected to participate in the Self-Determination program have opted out. Families will continue to be encouraged to attend the orientations so they can start participating in the program. The LRC point person for Self-Determination is Adrian Jimenez, and any questions or concerns should be sent to him.

Service providers were encouraged to attend the October 17, 3 hour SDP training for providers.

OLD BUSINESS

Legislative Activities

Ms. White and Ms. Isaac attended the Lanterman Coalition/SoCal RC Executive Directors meeting. Ms. White shared some of the issues discussed at this meeting:

- Improve service provider's rates as most won't receive the 8% rate increase 1/1/20
- Fix the problems with the B&A rate study
- Fund service coordinator positions to bring the client ratio down
- The system is not sustainable with the current rates

The public comment deadline was October 1; service providers are encouraged to contact the Governor as the budget is coming out in January.

Trailer Bill Updates

Ms. Ingram shared these updates:

- RC can officially pay the co-pay, co-insurance and deductible for EI clients.
- Suspension of the Uniform Holidays to expire in 2021.
- Half-day billing has been suspended.
- RCs must now send CAPs to DDS, and DDS must provide them to DRC when requested. Must determine how information should be made available to families.

New AB5 law regarding Independent Contractors now considered employees may impact vendors. ARCA is seeking a legal opinion to clarify whether or not RC vendors are affected.

CMS Final Rule Update

Ms. Garibay reported that the children's group met last month, day programs will meet in December. The Children's group will meet again in January 2020.

DDS Self-Assessment for providers is due by December/January. The focus of these assessments is to help providers demonstrate compliance with the settings requirement.

The Person Center Planning training took place in September. Two more trainings on coming into compliance and self-assessment will be scheduled before December and will be offered via webinar.

There are no updates on grants yet.

SPAC Vacancy

Ms. Ingram reported that terms for Ms. Prescott, Ms. Hajjar, Ms. Nakamoto and Mr. Sanchez membership terms are set to expire, and they have submitted their membership renewal forms. Ms. Kelly White, Villa Esperanza Services, submitted her application to fill the vacant position. All names will be presented to the Board's Nominating Committee for review/approval at their October meeting. New appointments will be announced at the SP Breakfast in November.

NEW BUSINESS

Housing

Ms. Shannon Rains, LRC Housing Specialist, gave an overview on the various housing activities she is involved in to maximize the opportunities of getting apartments for ILS-SLS clients. Ms. Rains shared that clients are invited to attend the Housing Workshop on October 19 at the Goodwill Center. Flyers were distributed.

Ms. Rains informed that the City of Los Angeles housing committee meets every 3rd Wednesday of the month at City Hall at 11:30 am; the City of Glendale meets every Tuesday at 3:00 pm. Providers are encouraged to attend with clients when issues impacting them will be discussed. All housing questions should be sent to Ms. Rains.

Ms. Prescott will invite Ms. Rains to the Peer Support Group so she can share resources with participants.

UPDATES/ANNOUNCEMENTS/CONCERNS

- Ms. Prescott – Self-Determination orientation is scheduled for November 15 & 16 in the Westside area
- Ms. Prescott – CADS Conference is scheduled sometime in November
- Ms. Prescott suggested provider presentations on HR, Sexual Harassment and Risk Management.
- Ms. Ingram – The CPP/CRDP funds for 2019/20 were approved. Twenty-five (25) million was allocated for the 21 regional centers. LRC received start-up funds for one home.

- Ms. Ingram – LRC will open a satellite Health Care Clinic at Clinica Romero. A task group will be put together to help design the space. The clinic is expected to be operational by the end of this fiscal year.
- Mr. Sanchez – October 15, Pasadena Caregiver Resource Fair at the South Pasadena Library Community Room, 6:30 – 8:00 pm. Target audience is adult children of seniors.
- Ms. Castaneda – March 2020 Census. Providers were encouraged to make sure all clients participate in the Census.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:24 AM

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Service Provider Advisory Committee Meeting
ATTENDANCE

2018-2019	N O V 18	D E C 18	J A N 19	F E B 19	M A R 19	A P R 19	M A Y 19	J U N 19	J U L 19	A U G 19	S E P 19	O C T 19	T O T A L
K. WEST-ISAAC - Chair	SP	E	N	X	E	X	X	X	N	N	X	X	6
T. JONES MARTINEZ	B	X	O	E	E	E	X	X	O	O	X	X	5
S. MORENO*		X*		X*	E	X*							3
K. CASTANEDA	R	X	M	X	E	E	X	X			X	X	6
N. HAJJAR	E	E	E	X	X	E	X	E	M	M	E	X	4
D. PRESCOTT	A	X	E	X	X	X	E	X	E	E	X	X	7
J. STORCK	K	X	T	X	X	X	E	X	E	E	X	X	7
Y. NAKAMOTO	F	X	I	X	X	X	X	X	T	T	E	X	7
G. SANCHEZ	A	X	N	X	X	X	X	X	I	I	X	X	8
K. GRIFFITH	S	X	G	X	X	X	X	X	N	N	X	E	7
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* Last meeting attended, membership ended 4/3